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**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., A Division
of MDU Resources Group, Inc.
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Cost of Gas Adjustment/Propane**

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MDU is increasing its propane Cost of Gas Adjustment by \$0.549 per dekatherm (dk) compared to last month. The Cost of Gas Adjustment will change from \$10.610 per dk to \$11.159 per dk. The revised cost of gas adjustment will be applied to propane gas bills issued during September 2007 to Hettinger customers.

The cost of gas change is due to:

- \$0.549 per dk increase in the commodity cost of gas.

The commodity cost change is a result of the lowest price MDU obtained from its regional bulk wholesale propane suppliers. The change in the price of propane is generally driven by a combination of crude oil and natural gas prices, weather, demand, and inventory levels.

For residential customer usage of 4.0 dk (representative of September), the cost of propane gas in the bill will be approximately \$2.20 higher than last month and \$3.21 lower than September 2006. There were 328 propane customers in Hettinger as of July 31, 2007.

The Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Information Administration (EIA) provides various publications on energy issues. The information is available on the website: <http://www.eia.doe.gov>.